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MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

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Godfrey showed the Director a picture of 140 mm. rocket tubes, the type which was used to bombard the airbase at Danang with approximately 100 rounds. The equipment was clearly Soviet, and he was surprised that ordnance of this size could be effectively hidden. (See Action 1)

Godfrey said he now has in hand a memorandum on the status of a nuclear proliferation treaty which is a useful wrap-up of the various country positions. The Director agreed to dissemination.

In reply to a question Kent briefed the Director on the Memorandum to Holders of the NIE on policing a disarmament agreement which is scheduled for USIB this week. The Director called Kent's attention to his testimony before the Russell committee and asked him to arrange the text of the Memorandum accordingly. A pre-USIB meeting will not be necessary.

DD/S noted that the Director of Security has an appointment with

The Director asked DD/S to be sure that
the Director of Security is accompanied by a witness.

Warner noted that Representative Mahon has still not scheduled the hearing on the Agency's Vietnam supplemental. Executive Director said that he is set for it.

Bross reported that he will see Bill Knox on Thursday and that he has not yet been able to get a copy of the report.

In reply to a question the Director asked DD/P to brief the Vice President personally on counterinsurgency.

The Director noted that he will be seeing Messrs. Gray and Baker this afternoon on a problem in the CI field.

Executive Director called the group's attention to the fact that the Agency is now as close as it has ever been to having all its personnel positions filled. Among other problems this resulted in a promotion bind, particularly given the severe limitations from BOB on grades GS-14 and above. In response to the Director he had asked the DD/S to undertake a survey on which areas are hurting the most. He said that the DD/S is setting up a task force with representatives from the directorates and independent offices to work with the Office of Personnel to determine the facts and the prospects for attrition and retirement. When this is completed, there will be a senior panel similarly drawn to examine the facts and make recommendations to the Director. DD/S will be in touch directly with the various components, and the Executive Director would appreciate their cooperation.

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